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SUBJ: NMFS BLUEFIN TUNA SPAWNING ACROSS STRAITS OF FLORIDA

REF: STATE 54507

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES TECHNICAL DATA REFTEL. INFORMATION PASSED TO BOTH DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE SMITH AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS PERMSEC ORIS RUSSELL. LATTER IS IN CHARGE OF CLEARANCE REQUEST. IN COVERING LETTER TO RUSSELL, EMBASSY SAID THAT FORMAL CLEARANCE REQUEST WAS BEING MADE FOR PERIOD COMMENCING NOT LESS THAN SIXTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF LETTER, I.E. FOR LEG OF PROJECT COMMENCING MAY 20, BUT THAT EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING RUSSELL COULD DO TO GET CLEARANCE FOR EARLIER LEGS.

2. RUSSELL CALLED EMBOFF MARCH 13 TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REQUEST AND ASSURE EMBASSY HE WAS WORKING ON IT. HE ASKED WHETHER VIRGINIA KEY WOULD BE DOING LONG-LINE FISHING AS WELL AS BOWERS. EMBOFF RESPONDED HE WAS NOT SURE BUT BELIEVED THAT ONLY BOWERS WOULD BE ACTUALLY FISHING FOR TUNA. DEPT REQUESTED ASCERTAIN WHETHER THIS IS CASE AND INFORM EMBASSY ASAP IF VIRGINIA KEY AS WELL WILL BE ENGAGED IN FISHING.

3. RUSSELL EXPLAINED THAT QUERY REPORTED PARA 2, ABOVE, WAS SIGNIFICANT FOR GCOB SINCE SPECIAL FISHING LICENSE WILL HAVE UNCLASSIFIED

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TO BE OBTAINED FOR EACH VESSEL ENGAGED IN FISHING. FACT THAT

LONG-LINE FISHING INVOLVED MAKES THIS REQUEST SOMEWHAT MORE COMPLICATED THAN NORMAL, RUSSELL SAID. RUSSELL WOULD UNDERTAKE TO OBTAIN SPECIAL FISHING LICENSES FOR BOWERS, AND FOR VIRGINIA KEY IF THAT IS NECESSARY, BUT SAID HE COULD NOT PREDICT WHEN THEY WOULD BE ISSUED AND WHEN CLEARANCE REQUEST COULD THEREFORE BE GRANTED.

4. DEPT REQUESTED INFORM NMFS OF ABOVE AND ASSURE IT THAT EMBASSY AND GCOB WORKING ON REQUEST, BUT CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT PERMISSION WILL BE RECEIVED FOR EARLY LEGS OF PROJECT.
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